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Mobilization planning in the NVA/See was accomplished by the Operational Department of the Headquarters of Naval Forces in 1957 and 1958. These plans provide for an immediate deployment of the floating units in case of mobilization. No more than two boats are to remain in each harbor. Even the smallest ports were examined as to their possible employment as alternate ports. Barth and Wiek harbors were mentioned in this connection.

The Sea Hydrographic Service will have the task of collecting the sea-marks, buoying new swept channels, and surveying and marking the planned defensive mine fields.

Coastal traffic is to be restricted to within about three nautical miles off the coast. The minelaying and minesweeping department of the Fourth Flotilla at Warnemuende will lay mines in the Fehmarn-Belt and Sound.

Prior to the completion of Tarnewitz and Dranske-Bug TS operational bases, the TS boats are to be assembled in the Libben.

The patrols are to be set up as follows: (see also sketch):

- 1 minelaying and minesweeping boat
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  - 1 coastal protection boat
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- \*route\*1 near buoy 7 c
  - \*route\*north of Ruegen, buoy 14
  - \*route\*north of Ruegen, branching off to Stralsund (relief in the Libben)
  - \*route\*north of Ruegen, branching off to Sassnitz off Greifswalder Oie.

Special protection is to be given to Peenemuende power station which feeds Swinemuende (Swinoujscie), especially the Soviet installations.

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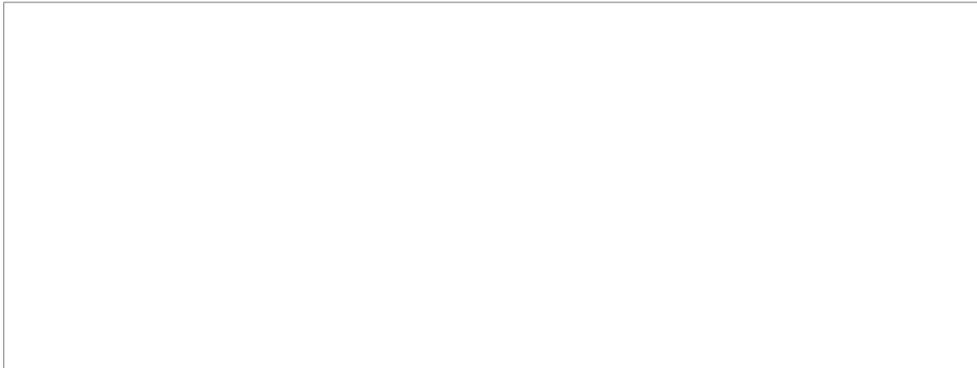
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[Redacted] Comment: The above details fail to give a clear picture of NVA/See 50X1-HUM mobilization preparations. One minelaying and minesweeping boat was nearly always observed at the planned outposts near buoy 7 c and buoy 14 during the summer of 1959.

The location of the planned minefields [Redacted] 50X1-HUM are not precise. Although they do not concur with the locations known from previous information, they show the same system, i.e. to set up minefields in front of harbors and along the coast, in order to keep up small coastal traffic under land.

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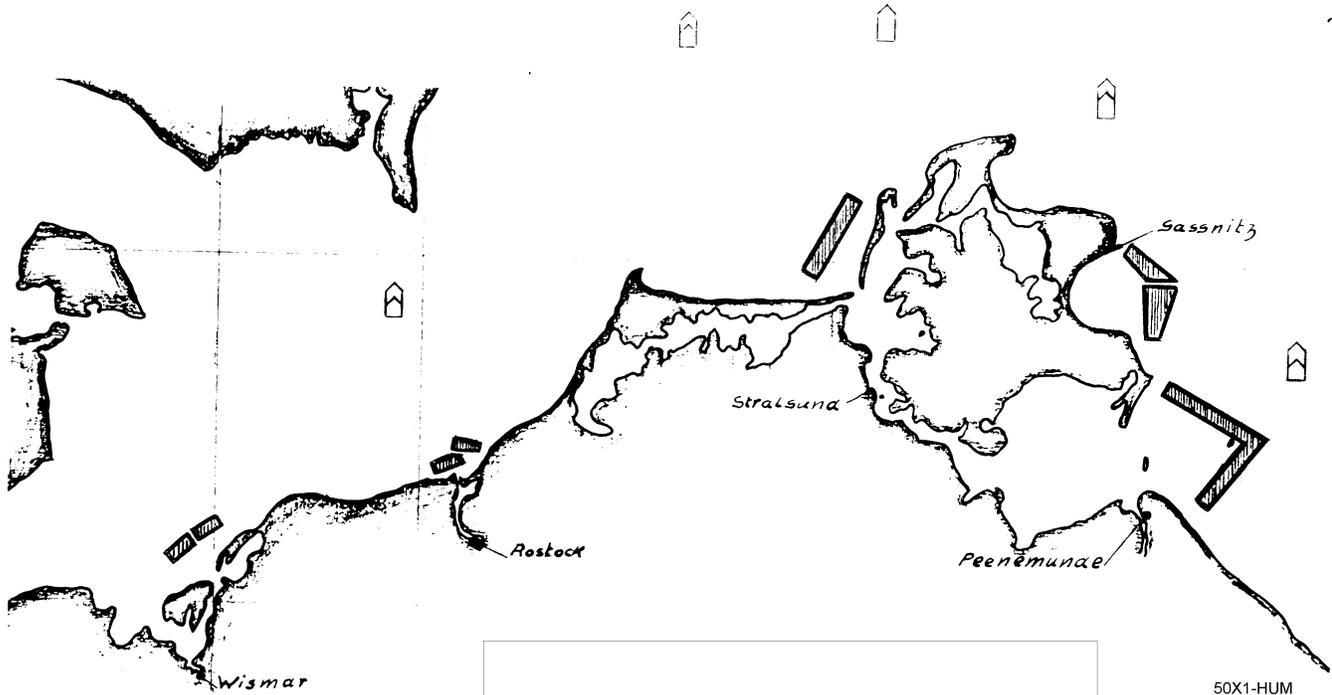


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